

Zimbabwe

INVESTMENT SUMMARY



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Overview: Country Program established in 2010. Focus is on food security initiatives. USADF currently manages a portfolio of **20 projects**. Total commitment is **\$2.2 million**.



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Organization of Collective Cooperatives in Zimbabwe (OCCZIM) 2656-ZWE	2012-2015	\$247,546	Food Processing (Animal Feeds): OCCZIM is an apex organization of farmers' associations that operates a animal feed production business to support its other activities. USADF is helping OCCZIM expand this operation, thereby increasing both the amount of raw materials purchased for local farmers and the availability of inexpensive animal feed. Funds are used to build a small factory and warehouse, purchase processing machines and raw materials, and build the capacity of OCCZIM to manage a contract farming scheme with its local suppliers.
Muscular Dystrophy Association of Zimbabwe (MDAZ) 2708-ZWE	2012-2015	\$207,181	Individual Livelihoods: MDAZ is a national disabled persons organization based in Bulawayo that provides assistive devices and economic opportunities for its 100 members. This expansion grant will help the group implement a loan fund to finance individual, home-based livelihoods projects for 77 of its disabled members. Individuals will undertake activities such as cattle rearing, poultry production, tailoring, or small scale retail. Funds are used to procure training and equipment for members to undertake these activities, fund monitoring staff and site visits, and pay a portion of the group's office expenses.
Nyamaropa Paprika Expansion 2773-ZWE	2012-2015	\$250,000	Food Production (Paprika): Nyamaropa is an apex organization made up of approximately 1,000 paprika farmers in the Eastern Highlands of Zimbabwe. After successfully completing a capacity building grant, the group is undertaking an expansion grant to implement an inputs revolving loan fund and greatly expand their paprika production, and marketing capabilities. Funds are used to purchase seeds and other inputs, provide additional training to farmers & cooperative managers, hire a consultant to assist with market development, & transport paprika to market.
LEAD Masvingo Food Security Project 2824-ZWE	2013-2016	\$235,000	Food Production (Poultry and Vegetables): LEAD is a nonprofit organization that undertakes sustainable livelihood interventions in disadvantaged communities in Zimbabwe. This project replicates the highly successful Hospital Gardens project in Masvingo Province, the most food insecure province in Zimbabwe. This grant will help LEAD support institutions serving marginalized people in Masvingo who wish to raise poultry and cultivate potatoes for sale and consumption. Funds will be used to provide training, equipment, inputs, and technical assistance to four institutions. Approximately 1,300 people who use the institutions (including hospitals and orphanages) will benefit.
Association of the Deaf (ASSOD) - Welding Expansion Project 2880-ZWE	2013-2016	\$250,000	Fabrication (Metal): ASSOD is a Welfare Organization that was formed in 1989 and legally registered in 1990, whose purpose is to advance the interests of the deaf and hearing impaired in Zimbabwe by advocating for equal opportunity for its members in employment. Many of ASSOD's members have already received vocational training in welding, carpentry and tailoring but their disability has prevented them from finding employment. Funding from this USADF Project will enable ASSOD to provide employment to members trained in metal fabrication. Profits realized through welding operation will contribute to microloan fund to help members start small businesses.

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Chinamora Tomato Farmers Capacity Building Project (CHA) 2882-ZWE	2013-2014	\$94,227	Food Production (Tomatoes): Chinamora Horticultural Producers Association (CHA) is a registered cooperative society whose purpose is to improve the production and economic capacity of smallholder tomato farmers in the Chinamora communal area. CHA provides its members with market linkages, technical assistance, and key agricultural inputs. This grant from USADF will allow CHA to develop business management and leadership skills, administrative capacity, formal training in horticultural production, and the capacity to identify optimal tomato varieties for sale as fresh produce as well as for processing.
Sisonke Chicken Capacity Building Project 2901-ZWE	2013-2015	\$91,741	Food Production (Chicken): Sisonke Collective Cooperative Society is a membership-based group that operates in rural Masvingo. The purpose of the organization is to provide members with a sustainable means of livelihood and enhance incomes and food security through profitable income generation projects. Through their current small chicken run they are benefitting their members by assisting them to access training, profit sharing, school fees savings programs and provision of microcredit. This USADF capacity-building project will help Sisonke improve its poultry rearing skills, financial accountability, and management structures. The group will develop business and marketing plans to increase technical and financial capacity, and will produce and market chickens at an increased scale.
Samanyika Kumboedza Paprika Capacity Building (SKA) 2924-ZWE	2013-2015	\$96,300	Food Production (Paprika): Samanyika Kumboedza Association (SKA) is a horticultural cooperative society that operates in rural Nyanga. This ADF project will enable SKA to improve its financial management systems, build the business and leadership skills of the management and board, and improve the quality of paprika produced by farmer members. SKA staff will undergo a range of trainings in governance and business management, while members will be trained in farming techniques and business concepts. Additionally, SKA will operate a revolving inputs fund and facilitate the bulking and price negotiation with buyers on their members' behalf.
Marula Oil and Jam Capacity Building Project 2927-ZWE	2013-2014	\$87,145	Food Production (Marula Products): Marula Zimbabwe Collective Cooperative Society Limited (Marula) is a women's group that operates in Chivi district. Marula provides training to its members in-harvesting, processing, and marketing of products made from marula nuts and other income generating activities. This USADF project will enable Marula to improve its financial management systems, build a core management staff, build the business and leadership skills of the management and board, and explore potentially profitable new marula products. Marula will also be enabled to acquire certifications in health & product quality standards allowing access to larger markets.
Hamaruomba Dairy Capacity Building Project 2936-ZWE	2013-2014	\$93,460	Food Production (Dairy): Hamaruomba Agricultural Cooperative Society Limited (Hamaruomba) is a membership based cooperative society of smallholder dairy farmers in Mushagashe area in rural Masvingo. Hamaruomba's mission is to promote milk production, processing and marketing. The organization provides milk collection and processing services, various trainings for farmer members, and marketing of milk products. This ADF project will enable Hama Ruomba to improve its financial management systems, build the business and leadership skills of the management and board, and improve the dairy farming and entrepreneurial skills of farmer members. Hama Ruomba's production capacity will be enhanced through initiation of a revolving loan fund for inputs and the production of a business plan and marketing strategy.
Kunzwanana Community Borehole Project 2930-ZWE	2013-2014	\$12,000	Borehole: The Kunzwanana Community Project is situated in the Kumasi Village in rural Masvingo. Land was donated by the village community leaders to establish a borehole and pursue a market garden project. The community of Kumasi, plan to drill the borehole and start a market gardening project. These activities will help eliminate water borne diseases and enable economic projects in areas of animal husbandry and market gardening. The USADF funds will be used to drill the borehole, install a pump for irrigation and purchase gardening tools.
DAZI Community Development Association 2931-ZWE	2013-2014	\$12,000D	Market Gardening: The Dazi community based in the Nyanga district, traditionally produced maize for their own consumption. This communal production has been affected by droughts and poor agricultural practices. The community established a development association with 30 project members to spearhead local development initiatives to reach out to 180 beneficiaries. The aim of this association is to intensify horticulture market gardening and training of farmers. USADF funds will also help install irrigation infrastructure, fencing & purchase gardening tools.

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Domboshawa Dairy Farmers Cooperative Society Limited 2996-ZWE	2014-2015	\$99,858	Food Production (Dairy): DDFACS is an agricultural cooperative formed in 2009 for the bulking of dairy products. The cooperative was established to collectively raise and care for cows on a communal grazing plot. This would help initiate a shared responsibility amongst the farmers for feeding and milking and allow the farmers to complete other farming activities. The USADF grant will assist the cooperative to scale up through hiring and training of new staff and production input.
Gokwe Dairy Farmers Cooperative Society Limited 3016-ZWE	2014-2018	\$246,126	Food Production (Dairy): Gokwe Dairy Farmers Cooperative consists of 22 female and 38 male members. These 60 members comprise of local farmers bulking milk for local sale. The bulked raw milk is processed into natural raw milk and supplied to Dendairy in Kwekwe. The USADF grant will assist the association to grow its business in terms of production of good quality milk through increasing herd size, membership, production, knowledge and marketing.
St Agnes Mission Children's Home 3026-ZWE	2014-2015	\$77,945	Food Production (Poultry): The St Agnes Mission Children's Home was established in 1981 as a charity. The main objectives of the organization are to ensure that orphans have residential care and that these orphans are equipped with vocational skills. The home also intends to setup self sustaining projects and offer community based orphan care. The USADF will assist with establishing financial independence and help increase the home's sustainability by scaling up its initiatives.
Honde Valley Dairy Farmers Association 3053—ZWE	2014-2015	\$94,706	Food Production: (Dairy): The Honde Dairy Farmers Association established in 1987 is an organization that helps produce bulk milk for local sale. The associations main objective is to produce, bulk and market milk produce for sale to local markets and dairy processors to help fill the national supply gap. The role of the USADF grant will help the association build capacity, procure assets and assist in project and financial management of the project. The expected outcome is to help improve the diets of the Zimbabweans using these services and also provide revenue streams to sustain and grow these income generating activities.
Rusitu United Dairy Farmers Co-op Ltd 3085-ZWE	2014-2016	\$99,652	Food Production: (Dairy): Rusitu United Dairy Farmers Cooperative is a small scale dairy association registered in 1996. Its initial membership began with 120 but was negatively affected by hyperinflation. Primary activities of the association include bulking of milk for individual members and for collective resell; artificial insemination; silage making; training and access to inputs. The USADF will assist the association to increase the heard size, milk volumes and active membership. Its assistance will enable Rusitu United to improve financial management, hire and train staff and build up business and leadership capacity.
Rusitu Small Scale Dairy Farmers Co-op Ltd (RSSDFCL) 3086-ZWE	2014-2016	\$92,603	Food Production (Dairy): The Rusitu Small Scale Dairy Farmers Cooperative is a small scale dairy association based in Chipinge, and was established in 1987. The main activities of the cooperative include milk collection and bulking; farmer training, marketing of milk products and artificial insemination services. The USADF will assist in the improvement of financial systems: hiring and training of core staff; build business and leadership capacity and improve farmer husbandry skills and exploring new markets. The funding will assist with recruitment of new staff, certification, office equipment and overheads; training, acquiring software, business plan and feasibility testing, internal policy development.
Ms. Melissa Mazingi 3101-ZWE	2014-2015	\$25,000	Sustainable Livelihood Interventions (Fashion): YALI* fellow Melissa Mazingi is the Managing Director of Zed-label, an online store retailing locally designed clothing and accessories by Zimbabwean Fashion Designers. Through the USADF funding Zedlabel aims to help designers create commercially viable businesses by providing an inexpensive online retail channel and low cost financing. This in turn will give easier access to the consumer. The overall contribution will be to increase trade of locally made fashion. The funds will help finish the development of the website, offer low cost loans, advertising and management training.

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Ms. Nomvula R.. D. N Mhambi 3133-ZWE	2014-2015	\$25,000	Public Health (Toilets and Sanitation): YALI fellow Nomvula Mhambi is the founder and Managing Director of Disruptive Innovation, a social marketing and advertising enterprise. The social enterprise aims to use a market based approach to sustainably providing safe, adequate and affordable sanitation facilities in schools and urban centres. This initiative will be financed through restroom advertising. The goal is to improve public hygiene and sanitation in urban Zimbabwe and contribute to improved health and welfare conditions. The USADF funds will enable Disruptive Innovation to renovate toilets and pay for labour and technical consulting prior to business generating revenues from commercial advertising.

